

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 626 – SB 1174

February 13, 2013

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Defines volunteer firefighter, for those required to offer medical insurance coverage as it relates to the authority to write insurance for workers' compensation, as any member or personnel of a fire department or volunteer fire department, including, but not limited to, a junior member, a board member, or an auxiliary member of the fire department.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (002991):** Adds members or personnel of rescue squads or volunteer rescue squads to the definition of volunteer firefighter identified in the original bill.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Tenn. Code Ann. § 50-6-401 currently requires certain entities offering workers' compensation insurance to offer medical benefits coverage for paid-on-call and volunteer firefighters.
- Adding clarifying language to define "volunteer firefighter" will not result in a significant fiscal impact on state or local government.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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